



# Statewide Coordinating Council for Public Health District Coordinating Council<sup>1</sup> Update

District: Western	Date: March 3, 2010
<p><b>Brief review of decisions and outcomes from DCC meetings held since last SCC meeting (please attach agendas):</b>  On Feb. 11, 2010, the Western DCC sponsored an H1N1 Midcourse Review. Invitations were sent to a wide variety of people involved in the H1N1 campaign. Thirty participants attended the meeting. Results were compiled and submitted to Maine CDC for inclusion in the final state report.</p> <p>Information on the Western DCC was shared since many attendees were not DCC members. Attendees were encouraged to consider involvement with the DCC. At least 3 people approached the District Liaison after the meeting, expressing interest in joining the DCC.</p>	
<p><b>Ongoing or upcoming projects or priority issues:</b>  Preparing for the development of the District Health Improvement Plan and addressing membership issues.</p>	
<p><b>Status of Local Public Health System Assessment:</b>  The report-back meeting was held on November 17, 2009; at the December 1, 2009 meeting, the DCC identified key priority issues.</p>	
<p><b>Organizations represented at meeting(s):</b>  Maine Responds, Livermore Falls Health Center, Leeds/Turner Local Health Officer, DFD Russell Health Center, Maine CDC PAN Flu Coordinator, Maine Primary Care Association, Mt. Abram Health Center, Lewiston School Nurse, Seniors Plus, Central Maine Medical Center School of Nursing, Northstar Ambulance Service, Bethel Area Health Center, Androscoggin Head Start, Androscoggin EMA, St. Mary's Nutrition Center, Maine CDC Public Health Nursing, Strong Schools Nurse, Stephens Memorial Hospital Safety Director, Western Maine Community Action Health Services, Fryeburg/Denmark School Nurse, Franklin Memorial Hospital Infectious Disease Control, Franklin EMA, Healthy Androscoggin, Healthy Community Coalition, Healthy Oxford Hills.</p>	
<p><b>In-district or multi-district collaborations:</b>  The four HMPs in Western Maine met with the District Liaison on February 19, 2009. One of the discussion topics was the purpose and function of the DCC going forward and the level of HMP involvement.</p>	
<p><b>Issues or topics to be addressed by SCC:</b>  Need the District Health Improvement Plan template.</p>	
<p><b>Other district issues (external to the DCC) that impact public health</b>  Recently released County Health Rankings.</p>	



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### <sup>1</sup>Sec. 5. 22 MRSA c. 152

A district coordinating council for public health shall:

1. Participate as appropriate in district-level activities to help ensure the state public health system in each district is ready and maintained for accreditation;
2. Provide a mechanism for district-wide input to the state health plan under Title 2, section 103;
3. Ensure that the goals and strategies of the state health plan are addressed in the district; and
4. Ensure that the essential public health services and resources are provided for in each district in the most efficient, effective and evidence-based manner possible.